**PGA TOUR ORIGINALS: 2021 One Shot Away Episode 1**

MASTER SCRIPT

**Cold Open**

DYLAN WU NAT: “I can still skate didn’t fall yet, let me warm up. Gotta get more power on this.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “My brothers and I grew up playing ice hockey and golf”

DYLAN WU SOT: “I do miss skating / its definitely like riding a bike like everyone says, I have missed it.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “Crossbar left post first shot”

DYLAN WU NAT: “whoo”

**Show Open**

ANNC: "PGA TOUR cards up for grabs!"

**THESE ARE THE PGA TOUR’S PROVING GROUNDS.**

ANNC: "Can you step up and make one of the most important putts of your career."

ANNC: "A TOUR level test."

WU SOT: "You just gotta really grind stay consistent, staying patient."

**IN A GRUELING SEASON…**

ANNC: It is gut wrenching for those guys out there. Seems to be in shock a little bit what just happened."

**TOUR HOPEFULS ARE SHARPENED INTO CHAMPIONS. (:03)**

RYAN RUFFELS SOT: "There's so many guys out here that will play on the PGA TOUR and it just so happens that they're all here right now."

ANNC: "The singular goal remains the same. To earn a PGA TOUR card."

**ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR... THEY ARE ALL... JUST ONE SHOT AWAY.**

**Henni Koyack On Cam**

**FOR MANY OF GOLF'S RISING STARS, THE KORN FERRY TOUR IS WHERE DREAMS OF MAKING THE PGA TOUR ARE REALIZED.**

**IT HAPPENS QUICKLY FOR SOME – OTHERS REQUIRE GRIT AND DETERMINATION. EVERY PATH TO THE PGA TOUR IS UNIQUE, AND ONE SHOT AWAY IS BACK TO DOCUMENT THESE JOURNEYS ONCE AGAIN.**

**DESPITE NEARLY FOUR MONTHS BETWEEN TOURNAMENTS FOR THESE PLAYERS... THERE'S BEEN PLENTY OF ACTIVITY OUTSIDE THE ROPES. CHARLIE SAXON GOT MARRIED, CALLUM TARREN AND DYLAN WU ARE NOW ENGAGED, AND THEY'VE ALL SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS PRACTICING AND HONING THEIR CRAFT.**

**WITH 23 TOURNAMENTS TO GO IN THE KORN FERRY TOUR SUPER-SEASON, THE QUEST FOR A PGA TOUR CARD CONTINUED AT THE LECOM SUNCOAST CLASSIC.**

**Lecom Suncoast Classic**

ANNC: "Korn Ferry Tour back in action after more than a 3 month hiatus."

BRADEN THORNBERRY SOT: “The first month month and a half was nice to get some downtime but after that I was kind of itching to get back out here so I'm super excited.”

SAXON SOT: “I'm glad that we kind of got this little little break out of the way we're about to hit the summer in high gear”

**AS EACH PLAYER RETURNED TO ACTION WITH HIGH HOPES... IT WAS GREYSON SIGG WHO POWERED HIS WAY UP THE STANDINGS WITH A TIE FOR 6TH – AS DID DAWSON ARMSTRONG, THANKS TO A STRONG SUNDAY.**

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “That was the most confident I'd been over the ball”

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “ I was able to keep my composure, stay patient, give myself looks, trust the golf swing, trust the putter.”

ANNC: "For Dawson it just comes natural. The putter just looks right in his hands,."

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “I didn't really look at a leaderboard until after hole 17”

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “I wanted to still perform as well as I could without adding that extra pressure of winning. Ended up missing about a 6, 7 footer on the last hole to win the tournament. We had a 3 way playoff to to see who won.”

ANNC: "Dawson Armstrong, /.His first full year out here on the Korn Ferry Tour."

**AFTER A ONE HOLE PLAYOFF ARMSTRONG FINISHED 2ND, HIS BEST RESULT ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR**

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “I was still really pleased with how I was able to put myself in contention.”

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SOT: “I feel confident. And confidence is almost everything on this tour. And it's just a matter of who can come out on top at the end.”

**Nick Hardy Monday Q and Girlfriend**

**RIDING HIS OWN WAVE OF CONFIDENCE, NICK HARDY MADE NOISE ON THE PGA TOUR IN THE OFFSEASON. EARNING SPOTS THE HARD WAY, BY PLACING IN THE TOP 4 OF THE QUALIFIER, THE MONDAY BEFORE THE EVENT.**

ANNC: "24 years old, Monday Qualified for this Sony Open."

NICK HARDY SOT: "It's not easy when you're Monday qualifying to an event. / it's just it's all about energy preserving and getting to know the golf course getting comfortable on the fly."

ANNC HARDY: "confidence there, Nick moving along nicely."

NICK HARDY SOT: "My goal was top 10 but you know it was a 14 there was a good week after Monday qualifying."

**AFTER HIS TOP 20 IN HAWAII, HARDY HAD AN EPIC RUN TO QUALIFY FOR THE WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN**

ANNC: "Nick Hardy who was the last player in birdied the last 2 holes to get into a playoff and then beat Anirbahn Lahiri in a 2 for 1. You talk about how pumped you get, Zing? That's what it means."

NICK HARDY SOT: I've always been good at Monday qualifying."

NICK HARDY SOT: "I honestly felt more pressure in the Scottsdale event just because that's my home course. That's where I play and practice that every day."

**DESPITE FEELING THE PRESSURE NICK FINISHED TIED FOR 42ND**

ANNC: "What an incredible week for Nick Hardy."

**WHILE LIVING IN SCOTTSDALE ARIZONA, NICK ENJOYS EVERY MINUTE HOME WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND LIZ (:05)**

NICK AND LIZ NAT: “What numbers are yours? 3 and 4, Ok I'll get 2...”

NICK HARDY SOT: "It's honestly great for me having a girlfriend that plays golf. She totally understands the commitments, the difficulty."

NICK HARDY SOT: "She's a great player herself. We compete against each other."

NICK AND LIZ CHIPPING NAT: “What are we playing for Pride. Pride haha”

NICK AND LIZ NAT: "That's three. Great chip."

NICK AND LIZ NAT: "Two in a row? Stop it. Two in a row. Two in a row. Stop it. I'm done for the day."

NICK HARDY SOT: "Not only is she my girlfriend and we love each other, but she really like betters me at what I do and it's, I think that's pretty cool."

NICK AND LIZ NAT: “So unlucky. So she got really unlucky on the first one.”

NICK AND LIZ NAT: “But it looks like she just made the second. Yay. So that's three points. With the one where she made it. l got one. Coming back.”

NICK AND LIZ NAT: "Her best part of her game is chipping and pitching so it's good for me to chip against her because normally she can beat up on me pretty good."

LIZ ELMASSIAN SOT: "We always help each other. He might see something in my swing that I need help with or I might see something in his golf swing that doesn't look right.

NICK AND LIZ NAT: It's a tough shot It goes downhill. you gotta get it perfect. You gotta hit it perfectly.

LIZ ELMASSIAN SOT: "Every day he's just getting better and better. / He doesn't give up. He doesn't like excuses. I love that about Nick. He's the strongest person I know."

LIZ ELMASSIAN SOT :"And doesn't matter what situation you give him, he'll always find a way to just to get through it.

NICK AND LIZ NAT: “Last chance here. You gotta get inside mine.”

NICK HARDY SOT: “Hopefully I can build and do better on what I did last year I'd like to get a win. That's that's the number one thing on my mind, putting myself in more positions to win.”

NICK AND LIZ NAT: “And it out, I kinda got smashed. You're good loser though. No I' m not. I need to work on my chipping.”

**Roberto Diaz Feature Pt 1**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I'm from Veracruz, Mexico.. I was born and raised there. I came up in a very normal family, middle class, hardworking dad, hard working mom.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “When I was like 15, 16 I went to a golf Academy in South Carolina, All we did was play golf and then that's where fell in love with the game.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I turned pro in 2010. I played many tours I drove 13 14 hours event to event and finally broke through in 2013 Q school.”

ANNC: “I like his confidence with putting, hits a lot of shots with speed going down the center”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I played Korn ferry 14,15 ,16,17 and then PGA Tour 18,19”

**MAKING THE PGA TOUR WAS HIS BIGGEST ACCOMPLISHMENT BUT PLAYING AT THE ELITE LEVEL CAUGHT ROBERTO DIAZ OFF GUARD.**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I think that the first year is shocking. At least it was shocking for me.”

ANNC: “The big stage when you have the hopes of a country on your shoulders can be overwhelming.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I never played in front of that many people. And now I mean I it's like a drug. It's adrenaline. You just wanna go back and do it.”

ANNC: “Listen to the crowd response for Roberto Diaz”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I was playing probably the best golf of my life and I lost my PGA Tour card. It was not fun. And that really hit me, hit me hard.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I had a lot of sleepless nights and I had a lot of doubts on me because I thought I will never be back. And then my wife, my agent, they really helped me out. We set up a plan to work on for 2020 and I played really good on 2020, and obviously this year I started the year great...”

**Chitimacha Louisiana Open Pt 1**

ANNC: "Welcome to the 29th Chitimacha Louisiana Open Presented by Mistras"

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "I started pretty good today. It was one of those days where the hole looked big and my speed was correct"

**DIAZ STARTED STRONG OPENING WITH A 2 UNDER ROUND OF 69 BEFORE FIRING 65 ON DAY TWO**

ANNC: "Beautiful roll from Diaz"

**BUT IT WAS BRADEN THORNBERRY WHO SHOT THE LOW ROUND OF THE DAY ON FRIDAY, WITH A 63 THAT INCLUDED 9 BIRDIES**

ANNC: "He has a full arsenal of weapons and he can go.

**AND DESPITE GOING INTO THE WEEKEND TIED FOR THE LEAD, DIAZ REMAINED GROUNDED, GIVEN HIS PAST STRUGGLES**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "I'm happy where I'm at, it's a lot of golf left. I honestly don't get excited anymore, these guys are very good"

**Roberto Diaz Feature Pt 2**

**KEEPING THINGS REALISTIC IS PART OF ROBERTO'S GAMEPLAN, BUT THE OFFSEASON DELIVERED EXTRA MOTIVATION AND RECALIBRATED HIS MINDSET.**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “So right before Christmas we had a baby. December 21st. It was definitely life changing.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “Before I couldn't wait to be on the road. Now I can't wait to go back. So yeah it's tough to leave.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I think that I play with less pressure. He doesn't really care if I shoot 80, 90, or if I shoot 60. He's actually gonna be the exact same.”

**AS IMPORTANT AS HIS FAMILY IS AT HOME, DIAZ HAS DEVELOPED CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS ON THE ROAD, AND IN BETWEEN EVENTS HE CADDIED FOR ONE OF HIS BEST FRIENDS**

ABRAHAM ANCER SOT: “He is my best friend and even a brother”

ANNC: “Yeah what a shot from Abraham”

ABRAHAM ANCER SOT: “Having Roberto on the bag was really cool. I wish I could have him on the bag a little bit longer than just one week but it was a lot of fun.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “He's not an easy guy to caddy. He complained about dirty clothes the first day, so, no, but he was great. He's a great supporter of the game. He knows my game well.”

ABRAHAM ANCER SOT: “I feel that Roberto can play against anybody at any level. I can't for him to be back on the PGA TOUR.”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “He actually gave me a couple pointers to change my mindset and it paid off right away.”

**Chitimacha Louisiana Open Pt 2**

**BACK IN LOUISIANA, DIAZ FOUND HIMSELF IN THE FINAL GROUP ON SUNDAY, ALONG WITH BRADEN THORNBERRY AND PETER UIHLEIN.**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "it's the first time I've had a lead going into Sunday. If it goes well it goes well if not I find it and hit it again."

ANNC: “The last group. From Veracruz Mexico. Roberto Diaz”

ANNC: "That is just perfectly executed, well done indeed for Roberto"

**UIHLEIN AND DIAZ BATTLED IT OUT, WITH THE DECISIVE MOMENT COMING DOWN THE STRETCH, AS UIHLEIN MADE BOGEY ON THE 17TH HOLE.**

**AND DIAZ HELD HIS NERVE TO CLAIM HIS FIRST CAREER VICTORY.**

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "It's a monkey off my back you know I wanted this for so long and now I have it. It's awesome"

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "This win means a lot for me, for my family, for my team”

ROBERTO DIAZ NAT: “Te amo, bye”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: “I feel a lot of relief, I feel a lot of weight off me"

ABRAHAM ANCER SOT: “It was really cool to see him get it done right after being a dad too so I think that almost helped changed his mindset even more. I was super happy for him we facetimed right off the 18th green which was pretty cool.”

ROBERTO DIAZ NAT: “My friend”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: "He knows how hard it's been for me and it was great. He knows how hard I work and how tough it's been for me /

ROBERTO DIAZ NAT:: “Muy muy chingongue (?) // Gracias gracias”

ROBERTO DIAZ SOT: " I can't explain how bad I wanted to win, and I did it"

**Club Car Championship**

**ROBERTO DIAZ AND THE KORN FERRY TOUR THEN TRAVELED FROM THE BAYOUS OF LOUISIANA TO THE COASTLINE OF GEORGIA FOR THE CLUB CAR CHAMPIONSHIP.**

ANNC: “Good putt there from Roberto”

**FRESH OFF OF HIS FIRST WIN, DIAZ'S MOMENTUM SLOWED, FINISHING JUST INSIDE THE TOP 50 RIGHT BEHIND NICK HARDY**

NICK HARDY SOT: “It can wear on you, but it’s filled with ups and downs naturally and where that competitiveness comes into play is what makes it fun.”

**BUILDING ON HIS SOLID START DYLAN WU FINISHED TIED FOR 22ND, HIS BEST RESULT IN 9 EVENTS.**

DYLAN WU SOT: “156 guys competing every week and to be one of the top 25 players at any given time is an accomplishment.”

ANNC: “Dawson Armstrong. He’s off to a good start as well”

**ARMSTRONG CAPPED OFF HIS 4TH ROUND WITH A 6 UNDER 66, EARNING HIS 2ND TOP 10 SINCE RETURNING FROM BREAK, BOLSTERING HIS CONFIDENCE. (:09)**

DAWSON ARMSTRONG SO: “ I feel I'm good enough to be out here on a consistent basis. And I feel like I am a good enough player to comepete to be on the PGA Tour as well.”

**Kamaiu Johnson Feature**

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “Any time you get an opportunity to play at the highest level, you take it and you just gotta be ready”

**AS THE KORN FERRY TOUR HEADED TO DESTIN FLORIDA, 28- YEAR-OLD KAMAIU JOHNSON WAS GIVEN A SPONSOR'S EXEMPTION TO COMPETE IN HIS FIRST KORN FERRY TOUR EVENT.**

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “I'm just hoping to take advantage of it and really capitalize on the opportunity that I get out here.”

**AND JUST 3 HOURS EAST OF THE TOURNAMENT IS THE SETTING, WHERE KAMAIU'S UNIQUE GOLF JOURNEY BEGAN...**

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “Life before golf was a big question mark. I didn't know what my purpose was.”

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “My family moved onto Halaman Golf Course in Tallahassee.”

KAMAIU JOHNSON NAT: “Right here at G305 is where my grandmother moved, everything happens for a reason so her moving here pretty much saved my life. “

JAN AUGER SOT: “The first time I met him, I was playing golf. And I saw him across two fairways over.”

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “I was swinging a stick outside my apartment complex and she comes over. And I'm like, is she coming over to tell me to get off the course?”

JAN AUGER SOT: “I noticed he had a really nice swing and that's what caught my attention. I said hey you wanna go to the range and hit some real balls? And he's like yeah and his face just lit up.”

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “The first day I hit balls, I was hooked. I was here every day after that from sunup to sundown.”

**FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS, WITH THE HELP OF JAN AND OTHER SUPPORTERS, KAMAIU WOULD FOCUS ON HIS GAME AND TURN HIS DREAM OF BECOMING A PROFESSIONAL GOLFER INTO A REALITY.**

JAN AUGER SOT: “From being where he was and just doing and fighting the way he's fought... He's just an amazing kid and he gets it.”

JAN AUGER SOT : “He gives people outside of golf a hope. Someone hears his story and says, wow, look what he did. Maybe I can do the same thing not necessarily in golf but just being a success in life. He's done a lot of it himself and I think a lot of people would have given up.”

KAMAIU JOHNSON SOT: “I'm a product of when love comes together and I took a lot of help it took a village to raise me and that's my message to the world, just look what can happen if we all just work together and just be one.”

**Emerald Coast Classic**

**AT THE EMERALD COAST CLASSIC AT SANDESTIN, KAMAIU WAS MET WITH COLD, WINDY CONDITIONS IN HIS KORN FERRY TOUR DEBUT.**

**COMPETING AGAINST STRONG WINDS AND TEMPERATURES IN THE 40'S, HE FINISHED THE FIRST TWO ROUNDS OVER PAR AND WOULD MISS PLAYING THE WEEKEND BY 4 STROKES.**

**NICK HARDY ALSO STRUGGLED TO PUT HIMSELF IN CONTENTION THE FIRST THREE ROUNDS BUT SURGED UP THE LEADERBOARD AFTER CARDING A CAREER-BEST 60 IN THE FINAL ROUND TO EARN HIS FIRST TOP-20 FINISH OF 2021.**

**MEANWHILE, DYLAN WU COULDN’T FIND CONSISTENCY THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT AND FINISHED IN A TIE FOR 55TH.**

**Dylan Wu Mini**

**BUT PUTTING THAT RESULT BEHIND HIM, THE ROOKIE REGROUPED AT HIS HOME COURSE AND CONTINUED HIS NEVER-ENDING PURSUIT OF PROGRESS.**

DYLAN WU SOT: “There is two courses here at TPC, Scottsdale stadium and champions.Been practicing there for over two years. On the stadium side have a lot of practice in the back. It is great.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “Doing everything with a purpose is really, really helpful. Even if you're doing block practice, like what I'm doing right now, as long as you know what you're working on, it's for a purpose versus just swinging and hitting shots just for the fun of it.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “It's definitely sweeter knowing all the work you put in...”

DYLAN WU NAT: “I wanna keep working hard and getting better because the goal, is not just to get to the PGA tour. The goal is to get better and increase your skills too. So when you get to the PGA tour, you stay there and you just keep getting better.”

**Dylan Wu Hockey Feature**

DYLAN WU SOT: “Its always good to take a break, in professional golf... Something about. Just walking into the rink... feel the cold air... skating on the ice... a lot of nostalgia just bringing back memories from when I was a child. “

DYLAN WU SOT: “I played ice hockey from five to 17 my brothers and I were pretty good.”

DYLAN SKATING NAT: “Whoa, well I almost biffed it. I haven't skated in forever.”

DYLAN WU SOT: “My brothers are definitely better than ne at hockey but I am better than them at golf.”

DYLAN WU SOT: “It's probably the only team sport I played really competitively, growing up I really loved and really put a lot of heart and sweat in into.”

DYLAN WU SOT: “You're on the ice for like 45 minute and 15 seconds and it's pretty exhausting because you don't stop. It's just so fast paced...”

DYLAN WU SOT: “There's a lot more technique involved in golf. It's a lot more skill oriented. With hockey, it's kind of similar to other sports where it's more reactive and instinctive. You’re just trying to get stronger to hit your slap shot”

DYLAN WU SOT: “A lot of hockey players stick handle with golf balls because they are smaller and faster. Definitely miss stick handling a little bit”

DYLAN WU SOT: “Like nobody's working on their swing, their hockey swing or their slapshot technique that much. But then also just the individualistic sport of golf is just way different.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “Oh, that is a whiff! Don’t picture that.”

DYLAN WU SOT: “But then also just the individualistic sport of golf is just way different. That's probably why I like golf more.”

DYLAN WU NAT: “Whoo”

**MGM Resorts Championship**

**DYLAN WU TRADED IN THE HOCKEY STICK FOR CLUBS IN LAS VEGAS, FOR THE MGM RESORTS CHAMPIONSHIP.**

**WU MISSED THE CUT, BUT NICK HARDY CARRIED HIS MOMENTUM FROM FLORIDA, SECURING HIS THIRD TOP-5 FINISH OF THE SEASON.**

ANNC: “We’re going to see a lot more of Nick Hardy throughout this season.”

**JOINING HARDY IN FIFTH, BRADEN THORNBERRY CARDED A 7-UNDER 65 IN THE SECOND ROUND, HELPING HIM TO EARN HIS BEST RESULT OF THE SEASON.**

**ALSO COLLECTING A TOP-10 WAS CALLUM TARREN, WHOSE WEEK WAS HIGHLIGHTED WITH A PITCH-IN FOR EAGLE DURING THE THIRD ROUND.**

CALLUM TARREN SOT: “The good thing about this tour is you are only a few weeks away from reaching the top level. So that's my motivation just to just to obviously get into that 25.”

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**AFTER 28 EVENTS, CALLUM TARREN MOVED UP 3 SPOTS CLOSER TO THE 25 RIGHT BEHIND DAWSON ARMSTRONG. GREYSON SIGG AND BRANDON WU ARE SITTING IN THE TOP 10, WHILE DYLAN WU IS DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO THE CUT LINE IN 21ST.**

**Henni Koyack On Cam and Rollout**

**18 TOURNAMENTS NOW REMAIN, AND THE RACE TO CLAIM A CARD AT SEASON'S END IS IN FULL SWING. 18 CHANCES TO IMPROVE YOUR POSITION – OR BETTER YET, WIN – LIKE ROBERTO DIAZ, WHO LEAPT 13 SPOTS IN THE SEASON-LONG STANDINGS.**

**THE END GOAL IS IN SIGHT, BUT THE PATH TO THOSE COVETED PGA TOUR CARDS IS STILL IN MOTION.**

CHARLIE SAXON SOT: “It’s what we train for, hopefully can start playing some nice golf and keep it rolling through the rest of the year.”

RYAN RUFFELS SOT: “All of us know that if we put in a good kind of next four or five months, we've got a great chance to be where we want to be and that's on the PGA Tour.”

**THE JOURNEY CONTINUES RIGHT HERE ON ONE SHOT AWAY...**